

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box



Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0035

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

POWER OF ATTORNEY OR AUTHORIZATION OF AGENT

	Application Number	To Be Assigned
	Filing Date	11/02/01
	First Named Inventor	Robert McMillen
	Title	Apparatus and Method for Lumbar Support With Variable Apex
	Group Art Unit	To Be Assigned
	Examiner Name	To Be Assigned
	Attorney Docket Number	41575/28729

I hereby appoint:

 Practitioners at Customer Number

OR

 Practitioner(s) named below:

021888

Place Customer
Number Bar Code
Label Here

Name	Registration Number

as my/our attorney(s) or agent(s) to prosecute the application identified above, and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Please change the correspondence address for the above-identified application to:

 The above-mentioned Customer Number

OR

 Practitioners at Customer Number

021888

Place Customer
Number Bar Code
Label Here

OR

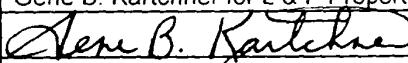
<input type="checkbox"/> Firm or Individual Name	Robert C. Haldiman			
Address	Thompson Coburn LLP			
Address	One Firststar Plaza			
City	St. Louis	State	MO	Zip
Country	USA			
Telephone	314-552-6351	Fax	314-552-7351	

I am the:

 Applicant/Inventor. Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record

Name	Gene B. Kartchner for L & P Property Management Company	
Signature		
Date	Nov. 6, 2001	

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below*.

 *Total of _____ forms are submitted.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 3 minutes to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: L&P Property Management Company
 Application No./Patent No: To Be Assigned Filed/Issue Date: 11/02/01
 Entitled: Apparatus And Method For Lumbar Support With Variable Apex
L & P Property Management , a Corporation
 (Name of Assignee)
 (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

States that it is:

1. The assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. An assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.
The extent (by percentage) of its ownership interest is _____ %

in the patent/application identified above by virtue of either:

A. An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent/application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

B. A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

1. From: _____
To: _____
The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.
2. From: _____
To: _____
The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.

Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.
 [NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.08]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Nov. 6, 2001
Date

Gene B. Kartchner
Typed or Printed Name

Gene B. Kartchner
Signature

Vice President
Title